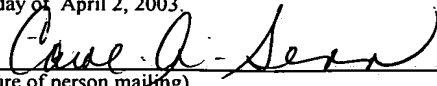


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Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), it is requested that the term for response to the Examiner's Action in this application, mailed on December 24, 2002, and having an original period for response of one (1) month, which expired on January 24, 2003, be extended by three (3) month(s), such that it expires on April 24, 2003.

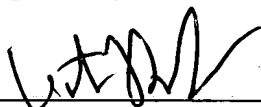
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